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OPEN MEETING NOTICE

Wisconsin Statewide Trauma Advisory Council

March 3rd, 2021

1:00 PM to 2:30 PM
Zoom Meeting

AGENDA

1. Introduction of DHS Staff (*Informational*)
 - DHS Staff filling in until State Trauma Coordinator position is filled:
 - Jess Link Reeve: jessica.linkreeve@dhs.wisconsin.gov
 - Amanda Hauser: amanda.hauser@dhs.wisconsin.gov
 - Mandi Walsh: mandi.walsh@dhs.wisconsin.gov
 - State Trauma Coordinator position posted:
https://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=104275&jobid=103789&org=435&class=07572&index=true
 - Trauma Registry Data Manager position filled, with start date of 3/29/2021
2. Pre-Review Questionnaire (PRQ) Discussion and Approval (*Discussion/potential vote*)
 - The PRQ serves as a study guide of sorts to help facilities better prepare for their site reviews.
 - Trauma Coordinator and PI Subcommittees reviewed this document in their meetings today (3/3/2021) with no specific concerns noted
 - Conversation around the size of the document and understanding that it can be overwhelming at first glance, but if you really walk through the document it is meant to be helpful in preparing for the review.
 - The document will be sent to facilities a few months prior to the review. It will also be made publicly available on the DHS website.
 - Jason Selwitschka motion to approve the PRQ and Thomas Derrig seconded. Motion passed.
 - Next steps: DHS Staff will send PRQ through the appropriate channels to get document approved and posted on the DHS website.
3. DHS 118 Go Live on 7/1/2021 (*Informational/Discussion*)
 - The final product is available for facilities to review and prepare. While the new rule won't officially publish until a couple months before it goes into effect, the link was sent out and the language within this link matches the language that will be officially published

- https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/code/misc/chr/lc_ruletext/cr_19_086_rule_text_filed_with_legislature_part_1
- Grace period for DHS 118
 - Discussion surrounding facilities being unaware of the above link and that DHS 118 in full was available, resulting in insufficient time to prepare for reviews under the new rule by 7/1/2021
 - Discussion of allowing for a grace period to allow facilities additional time to implement new rules.
- David Schultz motion for DHS 118 to go live 7/1/2021 with a 6 month grace period for facilities to abide by new rules for site reviews (ending 12/31/2021). Reviews that fall within this time period will have a choice to use either the new or the old criteria for their site review. Thomas Derrig second. Motion passed.
 - Next Steps: Jessica Link Reeve will take this motion to DHS legal counsel to review if this is a possibility
- The FAQs for the new criteria is being reviewed and will be updated on the DHS website once finalized

4. APP ATLS Requirements (*Discussion*)

- New requirements surrounding APP ATLS certification
- This information will be covered in the upcoming FAQ
- Under the new requirements:
 - APP who participate in the initial evaluation of trauma patients must be current in ATLS.
 - All general surgeons on the trauma team must have successfully completed the ATLS course at least once.
 - Exception is Trauma Medical Director must be current in ATLS
 - Exception is alternate pathway requirements for general surgeons
 - ED providers that function as a member of the team caring for trauma activation patients via assessment or interventions must be current in ATLS.
 - In Level I, II, and III trauma centers, all board–certified emergency physicians or those eligible for certification by an appropriate body according to their current requirements must have successfully completed the ATLS course at least once
 - Physicians who are certified by boards other than emergency medicine who treat trauma patients in the emergency department are required to have current ATLS status
- Thomas Derrig motion that new APP ATLS requirements will be in effect July 2022. Seconded by Ann O'Rourke. Motion passed.
- There is currently a backlog in those interested in ATLS courses, as many hospitals have had to either pause their courses or complete a hybrid version of the course to minimize in-person interaction.

5. Committee Report Outs (*Informational*)

- Data Management
 - Trauma Data Dictionary has been updated and published on the DHS website. Reviewed the 2021 Trauma Registry Inclusion Criteria. Criteria does not including isolation burn patients moving forward, but if is a trauma burn patient then they will be included. UUID will not be available until state switches to the next version of EMS data - Wisconsin anticipated late 2021. Region 7 hosting annual trauma conference in October. Continued strong interest on course to build reports in the registry.
- Trauma Coordinators
 - Discussion on TQIP and how we can use this to improve trauma care. More TQIP discussion to come at the next meeting. Discussion of ATLS requirements and course availability.
- Performance Improvement
 - Thomas Bergmann as newly-elected Chair and Kristin Braun and Megan Zakaouanou as new co-chairs.
 - Reviewed draft of new PRQ with focus on PI section

- Loop closure discussion
 - Classification Review Committee
 - Hospital review reports
 - Discussion on PRQ and ATLS
 - RTAC Coordinators
 - RTAC coordinators continue to assist HERCs with COVID response
 - Some RTACs serving as regional managers for vaccine distribution
 - Trauma education is beginning again
6. HERC Advisory Group seeking STAC representative (*Informational*)
- If interested in serving in this role, email Jessica Link Reeve to get connected: jessica.linkreeve@dhs.wisconsin.gov

Next meeting Wednesday, June 2, 2021. Will remain virtual.

The purpose of this meeting is to conduct the governmental business outlined in the above agenda. The Wisconsin Statewide Trauma Advisory Council is responsible for advising the Wisconsin Department of Health Services on issues related to the development, implementation, and evaluation of the statewide trauma care system. The Statewide Trauma Advisory Council is made up of 13 members who have an interest and expertise in emergency medical services and are appointed by the secretary of the Department of Health Services.

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